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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, and further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed April 24, 2002, Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents:

- (1) JP 10-168227 A (ASAHI CHEM. IND. CO. LTD), 23 June 1998; accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (provided by Patent Abstracts of Japan);
- (2) JP 06-009661 A (FMC CORP.), 18 January 1994; accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (provided by Patent Abstracts of Japan);
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 5,206,404 (GUNKEL et al.), 27 April 1993; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (2) above;

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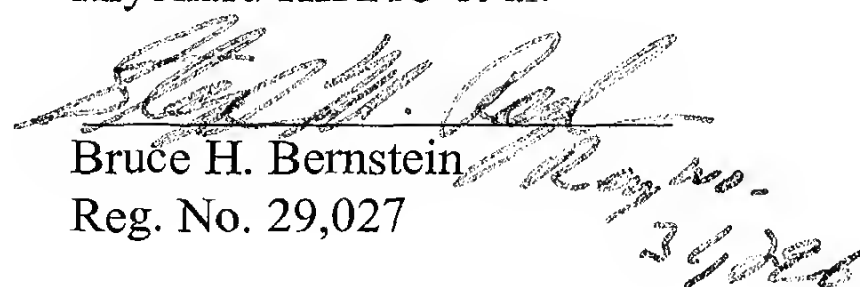
(4) WO 98/35970 A1 (GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORP.), 20 August 1998.

Copies of the above-listed documents are enclosed together with a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing these documents. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the next official communication.

Also enclosed is the payment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) (\$180.00). If any further fee is necessary for consideration of this disclosure statement, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

If the Examiner has any questions, the undersigned can be contacted at the below-listed telephone number.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 2,520,090 A (BARRETT) 22 August 1950, col. 2, line 43 through col. 3, line 36.	1-16
A	US 4,267,127 A (SELBECK et al.) 12 May 1981, see the abstract.	1-16
A	US 5,135,973 A (FUKAWASA et al.) 04 August 1992, col. 2, lines 4-58.	1-16



Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.



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